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TO:

Board of Oil, Gas and Mining

THRU:

James W. Carter, Director

THRU:

D. Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor/Lowell P. Braxton, Associate Director

FROM:

Anthony A. Gallegos, Senior Reclamation Specialist

RE:

Request for Board Approval, Amount and Form of Reclamation Surety, Diamond K

Gypsum Company, DKG Quarry, M/015/041 (UTU-69860), Emery County, Utah

The Division seeks Board approval of the amount and form of reclamation surety provided by Diamond K Gypsum for the DKG Quarry, located in Emery County, Utah. The form of surety is a joint letter of credit (LOC), with Key Bank of Utah for the amount of \$29,400. The LOC jointly lists the Division and BLM because of the involvement of federal lands. The LOC provided by Key Bank has a significant number of items omitted when compared to the Division's December 12, 1994 version of the LOC form. Key Bank will be providing a cover letter justifying these changes. A copy of this letter will be routed through the Division's legal counsel for review and comment. Emery County Commission has notified us that a surety posted with the Division will satisfy their bonding requirements for reclamation of the mine site. This mine was previously permitted with the Division as a small mine which then expanded to large mine status.

Attached for your review are copies of the following documents:

- 1. Summary checklist
- 2. Location map
- 3. Executive summary
- 4. Reclamation surety estimate
- 5. Reclamation Contract (Form MR-RC)
- 6. Irrevocable Letter of Credit and Key Bank Letter

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

jb Attachments M015-41.brd



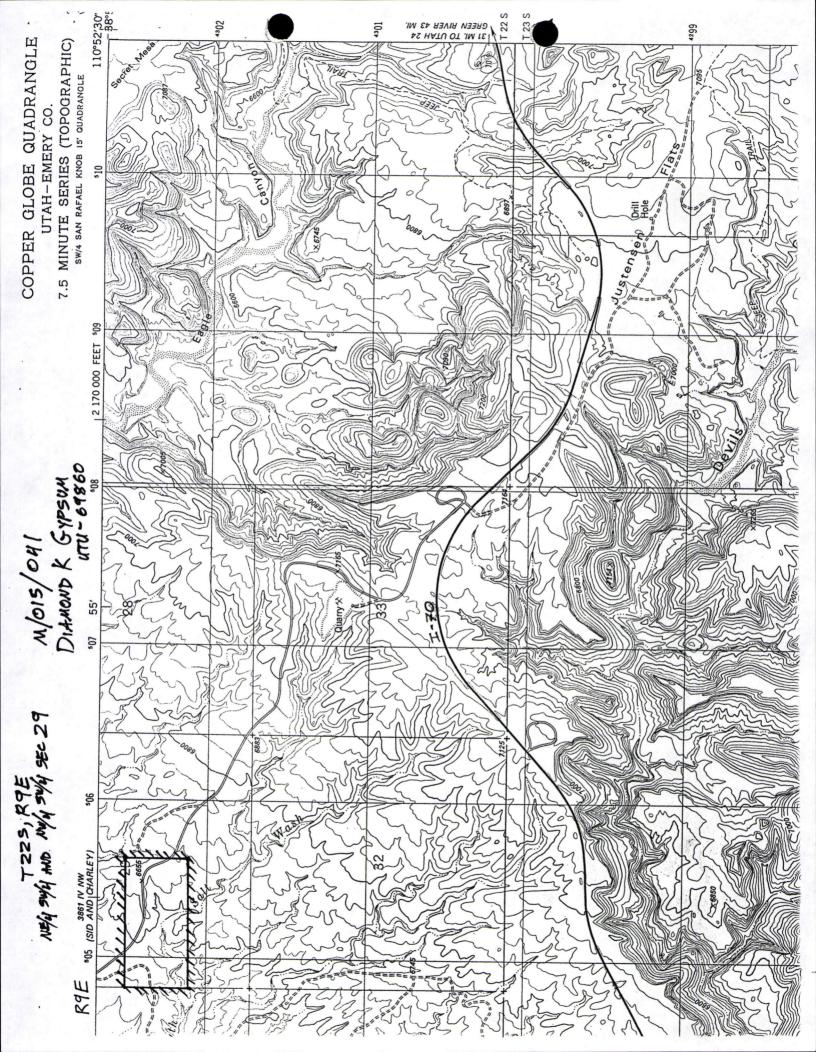
DOGM MINERALS PROGRAM

Checklist for Board Approval of FORM AND AMOUNT OF SURETY

Prepared February 12, 1996

Company Na	me <u>Diamond K Gypsum</u>
Mine Name	DKG Quarry (B & J Placer Claims)
File No	M/015/041

Items	Prov Yes	ided No	Remarks
Executive Summary	X		
Location Map	X	_	
Reclamation Bond Estimate	X		
Signed Reclamation Contract	X		
Signed Power of Attorney/ Affidavit of Qualification		X	N/A - Letter of Credit
Bond/Reclamation Surety	X		
Surety Sign Off (Other State/Federal Agencies)		X	Joint Agency LOC Form; Letter to Emery County Commission
RDCC contacted	X		



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Prepared February 14, 1996 Mine Name: DKG Quarry I.D. No: M/015/041 Operator: Diamond K Gypsum County: Emery New/Existing: New 234 North 500 West Richfield, Utah 84701 Mineral Ownership: Fee Surface Ownership: BLM **Telephone**: (801) 896-8870 Fax 896-8893 Lease No.(s): UTU-69860 Permit Term: Life of Mine Contact Person: Phillip M. Palmer/Karen Palmer Life of Mine: 10 years Legal Description: NE1/4 SW1/4 and NW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 29, Township 22 South, Range 9 East, SLBM Mineral(s) to be Mined: Gypsum Mining Methods: Overburden removal with a 950 Cat Loader and a 280.2 Mitsubishi Trackhoe. Cryptobiotic crust (top ~4 inches) is to be salvaged and stockpiled for replacement during reclamation. The gypsum deposit is mined using a road reclaimer instead of drilling and blasting. There is no onsite processing. Acres to be Disturbed: 12 acres Present Land Use: Marginal grazing Postmining Land Use: Improved forage for marginal grazing Variances from Reclamation Standards (Rule R647) Granted: None Soils and Geology: Soil Description: Gypsiferous soils, loam pH: 7.6 Special Handling Problems: None Geology Description: Three degree west dipping gypsum rock bed of the Jurassic Carmel formation dissected by dry wash gullies draining during flash floods into South Salt Wash dry drainage. Hydrology: Ground Water Description: Elevation is unknown. Depth to the local and/or regional aquifer is approximately 220 feet to the top of the Navajo Sandstone Aquifer. Surface Water Description: The quarry will not encroach upon the South Salt Wash floodplain. There will be an undisturbed margin between the quarry and this drainage.

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Water Monitoring Plan: None required. South Salt Wash is a dry wash and carries water only during flash floods.
Ecology:
Vegetation Type(s); Dominant Species: <u>Atriplex confertifolia (shadscale) and Oryzopsis hymenoides (indian ricegrass)</u> , Chryothamus nauseous (rubber rabbitbrush)
Percent Surrounding Vegetative Cover: 20%
Wildlife Concerns: None
Surface Facilities: None. All equipment and facilities are mobile.
Mining and Reclamation Plan Summary:
During Operations:

Overburden removal with a 950 Cat Loader and a 290.2 Mitsubishi Trackhoe. Cryptobiotic crust (top ~4 inches) is to be salvaged and stockpiled for replacement during reclamation. The gypsum deposit is mined using a road reclaimer instead of drilling and blasting. There are no onsite processing facilities. Mined gypsum is stockpiled onsite and loaded into trucks for shipment. No oil, lubricants, or toxic substances will be drained onto the ground. Mining performed 6+ months out of the year.

After Operations:

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All trash at the mine site will be removed to an authorized dump or landfill. All disturbed areas will be recontoured to approximate original contours surface. The recontoured area will be furrowed along the contour to leave a rough surface. Salvaged topsoil will be replaced on the recontoured areas. Salvaged cryptogamic soils will be placed on the replace topsoil. Some reject fines may be placed in the pits as backfill. The disturbed area will be fertilized and seeded using a mix approved by the BLM and DOGM. The reclaimed areas may be temporarily fenced if necessary, to prevent damage by cattle grazing.

Surety:	
Amount: \$29,400	
Form: Letter of Credit	
Renewable Term: 5 years (1999)	
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RECLAMATION ESTIMATE

Diamond K - Phillip M. Palmer

B & J Placer Claims - Gypsum Mine

last revision 12/14/94 filename M15-41.WB2

M/015/041

Emery County, Utah

Prepared by Utah State Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

Details of Final Reclamation

- -Reclamation consists of earthwork and revegetation; no structures are present
- -Disturbed areas to be recontoured to leave an undulating surface
- -Recontoured areas to be furrowed along the contour to leave a rough surface
- -Cryptogamic soils (upper 4 inches)salvaged & replaced

6.389 CY est

-Overburden stockpiled & replaced in pit(used 2 ft depth)

38,720 CY est

-All trash & debris to be removed to an authorized dump or landfill

- -Disturbed areas to be seeded using the BLM seed mix recommendation
- -Buffer area 100 ft wide to be left between Moore road and mine site (???)
- -All impacted drainages to be restored to pre-mining condition (DOGM)
- -All slopes left at approximate original contours or 3h:1v
- -BLM surety estimate is \$2,000/acre x 12 acres = \$24,000

-Estimated total disturbed acreage =

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<u>Activity</u>	<u>Amount</u>		\$/unit	\$
Regrade pit areas	12	acre	436	5,232
Place overburden	38,720	CY	0.27	10,454
Place crytogamic soils	6,389	CY	0.27	1,725
Furrow & seed disturbed areas	12	acre	250	3,000
Remove trash & debris	12	acre	100	1,200
Restore drainage-ASSUMED LF	250	LF	1.8	450
Mobilization	1	equip	1,000	1,000
		Subtotal		23,061
	Add 5% supe	rvision		1,153
		Subtotal		24,214
	Add 10% con	tingency		2,421
	Subtotal in 1994 -\$			26,636
	Add 5 yr esca	2,787		
		29,423		

Rounded Total in 1999-\$

\$29,400

Average cost per acre =

\$2,450